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SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the title, with the following amended title:

CAN Module With Jointly Utilized Components for Connecting to

Multiple CAN Buses

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 3, with the following amended paragraph:

The figure of the drawing is a block diagram, partially showing a configuration of a CAN module according to the invention.

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Please replace the abstract, with the following amended abstract:

A CAN module is characterized in that it contains several sets of storage elements for storing several sets of data representing different states of components of the CAN module. In this way, the For example, a single bit stream processor component, one of the largest and most complicated constituents of the CAN module, can be used for a plurality of CAN buses when data representations of the different states of the bit stream processor are stored in the sets of storage elements. The CAN module can be used as a shared CAN module for several CAN buses and/or CAN nodes with only a minimal expenditure required.